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## "AN ACT CONCERNING NEXT GENERATION CONNECTICUT."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and 2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2013) Not more than twelve 4 months after beginning the construction portion of any project 5 undertaken pursuant to sections 10a-109a to 10a-109y, inclusive, of the 6 general statutes, and annually thereafter until such project is 7 completed, The University of Connecticut shall file with the joint 8 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to labor and higher education a local construction 10 hiring report concerning the university's efforts to contract with 11 Connecticut businesses and the employment practices of businesses 12 contracted with by the university to perform the construction-related 13 portion of such project. Such report shall include:

(1) A description of the efforts undertaken by the university to contract with Connecticut businesses for the construction-related

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16 portion of such project;

- 17 (2) A description of the efforts undertaken by the university to 18 encourage contracted businesses to hire Connecticut residents; and
  - (3) (A) The names of businesses contracted with by the university to perform the construction-related portion of such project, (B) the number of Connecticut residents employed by such contracted businesses, (C) the percentage of such contracted businesses' workforces that are composed of Connecticut residents, (D) the number of Connecticut residents employed by such contracted businesses on such project, and (E) the average wage and benefits paid to construction workers employed by such contracted businesses on such project.
  - Sec. 502. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2013) (a) Any applicant for more than five million dollars of financial assistance from the Department of Economic and Community Development or Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated for an economic development project shall include in its application for such assistance a commitment to take reasonable steps to contract with Connecticut businesses for any construction-based portion of such project. Such commitment shall include a list of proposed steps such applicant will take to contract with Connecticut businesses. For purposes of this section, "financial assistance" means grants, extensions of credit, loans or loan guarantees, participation interests in loans made to eligible applicants by Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated or combinations thereof.
  - (b) Not more than twelve months after the construction portion of any such project begins, and annually thereafter until construction is completed, any recipient of financial assistance that has made a commitment pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall file with the Labor Department and the Department of Economic and Community Development a local construction hiring report concerning such recipient's efforts to contract with Connecticut businesses and the employment practices of businesses contracted by

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such recipient to perform the construction-related portion of such project. Such report shall include:

- 50 (1) A description of the efforts undertaken by such recipient to 51 contract with Connecticut businesses for the construction-related 52 portion of such project;
- 53 (2) A description of the efforts undertaken by such recipient to 54 encourage contracted businesses to hire Connecticut residents;
- 55 (3) (A) The names of businesses contracted by such recipient to 56 perform the construction-related portion of such project, (B) the 57 number of Connecticut residents employed by such contracted 58 businesses, (C) the percentage of such contracted businesses' 59 workforces that are composed of Connecticut residents, (D) the 60 number of Connecticut residents employed by such contracted 61 businesses on such project, and (E) the average wage and benefits paid 62 to construction workers employed by such contracted businesses on 63 such project; and
  - (4) Any other information required by the Labor Department and the Department of Economic and Community Development.
    - (c) Not later than February first, annually, the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Labor Department shall submit a report to the Governor, the General Assembly and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and labor, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. Such report shall summarize the local construction hiring reports filed with said departments in the preceding calendar year pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, and shall include, but not be limited to:
- 75 (1) A list of the businesses included in any local construction hiring 76 report;
- 77 (2) The number of Connecticut residents employed by each such

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- 78 business, and in the aggregate;
- 79 (3) The percentage of each such business' workforce that is 80 composed of Connecticut residents;
- 81 (4) The increase or decrease in the number of Connecticut residents 82 employed by each such business, and in the aggregate, since the 83 preceding year's report;
- (5) The average wage and benefits paid to construction workers, on projects funded in whole or in part by state funds, employed by each such business, and in the aggregate; and
- 87 (6) Policy suggestions to encourage the hiring of Connecticut 88 residents."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	July 1, 2013	New section
Sec. 502	October 1, 2013	New section